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Applicant: Luis J. Lazaro Jr. Group Art Unit: 2832
Application No.: Examiner: K. Easthom
Filing Date: Concurrently Herewith Docket No.: 99-315A
Date: April 20, 2001
For: *Cermet Thin Film Resistors*

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please consider this preliminary amendment before examination of the enclosed divisional patent application.

Specification

Page 1, line 3, please enter the following --**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**--

--This application is a divisional application of prior co-pending application serial No. 09/573,281, filed May 18, 2001, pending.--

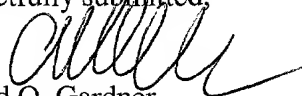
Claims

Please cancel claims 1-7.

REMARKS

This application is being filed as a divisional flowing from previous applications in a chain of priority derived for Applicant's first filed application Serial No. 09/573,281, filed May 18, 2001.

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